

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 708

By Maddox

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Larry and Mary Myrick on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on January 19, 1958, Larry and Mary Myrick were joined in holy matrimony in Corinth, Mississippi, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Myrick have been highly respected citizens of their community for many years; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, the couple has rendered sterling service to the young people of Dresden in the realms of education and education administration; Larry Myrick, who earned his degree in education at the University of Tennessee at Martin, first served as a teacher and coach before standing as a principal and then as an assistant superintendent; and

WHEREAS, Mary Myrick gained her degree from Memphis State University and taught for years at the elementary school, first as a kindergarten teacher and later as a fourth grade teacher; one of the many lasting impressions she made in the realm of education is the development of the "Mary Myrick Outdoor Classroom; and

WHEREAS, the Myricks are active members of the Dresden First Baptist Church and share a love of travel, and Mary is a member of two bridge clubs in Dresden; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced three children, each of whom has excelled in his or her particular field of endeavor; the Myricks' children are Steve Myrick, Sandy Williams, and Suzanne Obetz; and

WHEREAS, the Myricks are also the proud grandparents of John Williams, Shelley Williams, Presley Obetz, and Peri Obetz; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Myricks' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Larry and Mary Myrick on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.